

southern grampians
*Promenade of
Sacred Music*

CELEBRATING 12 YEARS

26 TO 29 APRIL 2012 HAMILTON, VICTORIA

music that lifts the spirit and feeds the soul

From the Chair

Planning for the 2012 Promenade is well underway and is shaping up to be another spectacular event with a variety of talented performers set to lift our spirits and feed our souls.

Highlights include the acclaimed virtuoso soprano Greta Bradman performing at the Opening Night concert on Thursday April 26th, The Australian Chamber Choir performing Magnificat on Saturday night, (they have just returned from a European tour with rave reviews!), and The Young Adelaide Voices captivating us with their young voices prior to travelling to San Francisco, just to mention a few. There will of course be many highlights for you over the weekend.

The Committee members are very grateful to the loyal and generous sponsors who continue to support and promote this unique event each year.

We also value the support and loyalty of the 'Friends of the Promenade' and we look forward to providing another exciting concert for all to enjoy early in the New Year prior to the 2012 Promenade.

Make sure you keep the dates free for the 2012 Promenade of Sacred Music, Thursday 26th - Sunday 29th April and invite your friends to visit Hamilton to experience the wonderful performances on offer.

Don't forget to check out the website for more news prior to the festival. www.promenadeofsacredmusic.com.au

See you there !

Robyn Wilken
Chairperson, Promenade of Sacred Music Committee

From The Artistic Director



At about this time every year excitement builds as we see our plans coming to fruition.

The 2012 Promenade will see a series of concerts unique in Victorian regional areas.

The wonderful soprano, Greta Bradman will delight listeners and bring tears to not a few eyes whilst the Australian Chamber Choir, fresh from receiving the highest accolades from European critics will

sing music of the great composers from the last 500 years.

Our rewarding and important connection with Adelaide continues as we draw together a large performance group of young people from Adelaide and Hamilton.

Liminal brings its unique music to inspire and challenge us and, as always, several of Hamilton's finest musicians make their glorious music - and - much more.

Douglas Lawrence OAM
Artistic Director

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2012 Programme

THURSDAY 26 APRIL

- > **German Shepherds Free Concert**
Hamilton Performing Arts Centre Forecourt - Midday
- > **Virtuoso Soprano and Organ**
Greta Bradman - Soprano, Rhys Boak - Organ
St Andrew's Presbyterian Church Hamilton - 8pm

FRIDAY 27 APRIL

- > **More "Art of Bach" Free Concert**
Hamilton Art Gallery - Midday
- > **Organ Masterclass with Douglas Lawrence**
St Andrew's Presbyterian Church Hamilton - 4.15pm
- > **Brass Masterclass with David and Chris Farrands**
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Hamilton - 4.15pm
- > **String Players Masterclass with Quattro**
Uniting Church Hamilton - 4.15pm
- > **Young Adelaide Voices "Spirit of Youth"**
Hamilton & Alexandra College Music and Performing Arts Centre - 7.30pm

SATURDAY 28 APRIL

- > **"Tour of Beauty"**
Stained Glass Window and History Tour
9.00am - 11.30am (bus leaving 8:30am)
- > **Young Performers Showcase with up and coming local musicians from the Southern Grampians**
Christ Church Anglican Hamilton - 10.30am
- > **TRAX Big Band Free Concert**
The Hub, Hamilton - Midday
- > **If Music be the food of love, play on**
Quattro and Church Hill Singers
Uniting Church Coleraine - 2.00pm
- > **Liminal - Double bass, Soprano, Wind instruments and Percussion**
Hamilton Art Gallery - 4.30pm
- > **Magnificat - The Australian Chamber Choir**
St Mary's Catholic Church Hamilton - 8.00pm

SUNDAY 29 APRIL

- > **Various church services will feature festival performers**
- > **Gloria - Combined Choir**
St. Michael's Lutheran Church Tarrington - 2.30pm

Committee Members

Douglas Lawrence OAM
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GRETA BRADMAN

The Promenade committee are excited to announce Greta Bradman, Virtuoso Soprano as the opening night performer for 2012.

Australian soprano and ARIA award nominee Greta

Bradman is a recitalist, concert and stage performer, and Sony recording artist. Greta was shortlisted as "best newcomer" in the 2010 ABC Limelight Magazine Awards and received a 2010 ARIA award nomination for her debut album, 'Forest of Dreams' (Sony Music Australia). She won the People's Choice Award at the 2010 RMP Aria competition and the 2010 Mietta Song Competition Murray River International Music Festival Prize. Her second solo album for Sony Music, 'Grace', has recently been released to critical acclaim.

AUSTRALIAN CHAMBER CHOIR

The Australian Chamber Choir was created and is conducted by Douglas Lawrence.



Comprised of only eighteen fine, hand picked voices, the Australian Chamber Choir's programming places an emphasis on the major choral works of the Renaissance period, of the master-works of JS Bach and on premiering original and specially commissioned works by Australian Composers.

During 2011 the Australian Chamber Choir embarked on its third European bi-annual concert tour which included concerts in Freiburg and Cologne cathedrals, three concerts in Berlin and one in Holy Trinity Cathedral in Paris.



YOUNG ADELAIDE VOICES

Young Adelaide Voices is a unique South Australian Choir School, catering for young people aged 5 - 35. Since its inception in 1988, Young

Adelaide Voices has become an internationally renowned organisation, having made seven overseas tours to Canada, Europe, UK, America, China, Hong Kong and Japan. They have recorded 9 CDs, with a tenth CD in the making.

In 2012 YAV is touring the USA, where they are representing Australia in the 2012 World Choir Games in Cincinnati and the 9th International Golden Gate Youth Choir Festival in San Francisco. They also have the fantastic opportunity of singing in festivals in New York and Washington DC.

The Young Adelaide Voices will conduct a workshop with local choral students on Friday 27th April, who will then feature in the evening performance - Young Adelaide Voices "Spirit of Youth".